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SUBJ: AMIN LETTER TO OAU SECRETARY GENERAL, FEBRUARY 21

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PRESIDENT AMIN'S MESSAGE OF
FEBRUARY 21 TO OAU SECRETARY GENERAL ETEKI, A COPY OF
WHICH WAS SENT TO SYG WALDHEIM, AND WHICH TEXT HAS JUST BEEN
CIRCULATED TO MISSIONS OF UN MEMBER STATES AT REQUEST OF
UGANDAN PERM REP:

QUOTE. BEGIN TEXT.

HIS EXCELLENCY MR. WILLIAM ETEKI MBOUMOUA,
SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ORGANISATION OF AFRICAN UNITY,
ADDIS ABABA.

21ST FEBRUARY, 1977

YOUR EXCELLENCY:

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FOLLOWING THE RECENT EVENTS IN UGANDA AND THE TOTALLY
BIASED AND EXAGGERATED REPORTS AND UNFOUNDED ALLEGATIONS BY
CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS, I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO APPRAISE YOU
OF THE TRUE PICTURE OF THE SITUATION. FIRST AND FOREMOST, I
WOULD ASSURE YOU THAT UGANDA IS CALM AND THERE IS NO CAUSE FOR
ALARM.

THERE HAD ARISEN A DANGEROUS SITUATION WHEN A GROUP OF DESPERATE MEN INFILTRATED THE COUNTRY WITH SOPHISTICATED ARMS AND WEAPONS INTENDED TO SYSTEMATICALLY WIPE OUT THE BIGGEST SECTIONS OF OUR PEOPLE BASED ON TRIBAL AND RELIGIOUS GROUNDS. UGANDA WAS IN SUCH A PRECARIOUS STATE WHEN CANON BURGESS CARR, THE GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE ALL-AFRICAN CONFERENCE OF CHURCHES STARTED HIS OPEN AND MALICIOUS CAMPAIGN OF DIRTY LIES AGAINST UGANDA USING IMPERIALIST NEWS MEDIA. ALTHOUGH CANON CARR IS A LIBERIAN BASED IN NAIROBI, I DO NOT HOLD LIBERIA OR KENYA RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS ACTIVITIES. FOR A LONG TIME, WE HAVE KNOWN THAT CANON BURGESS CARR SPEAKS NEITHER FOR THE AFRICAN CHURCHES NOR FOR HIMSELF. HE IS A MICROPHONE FOR IMPERIALISM, DIVISION AND ZIONISM IN AFRICA. INDEED HE IS IN THE SAME CAMP AS VORSTER AND SMITH. HE DOES NOT PRACTISE WHAT HE PREACHES.

HE IS AN OPPORTUNIST WHO DOES NOT BELIEVE IN GOD BUT USES RELIGION JUST TO MAKE A LIVING. IT SEEMS THAT BY MAKING MALICIOUS AND SENSELESS PROPAGANDA AGAINST UGANDA AS DIRECTED BY HIS IMPERIALIST MASTERS, CANON CARR HOPES TO GET MORE PAY. NEEDLESS TO SAY THAT HIS SUBVERSIVE WORDS AND ACTIVITIES, WHICH CAN CREATE WAR, AMONG PEOPLE ARE CONTRARY TO THE TEACHINGS OF BOTH THE HOLY BIBLE AND THE HOLY KORAN.

CANON CARR AND THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY BOTH OF WHOM HAVE NOT SET FOOT IN UGANDA ARE LISTENING TO THE LIES AND RUMOURS OF THE EXILES WHICH IN TURN THEY ARE TRYING TO PROPAGATE TO THE WORLD WITH INTENTION OF SPOILING THE GOOD NAME OF UGANDA. IT IS A SHAME THAT THEY SHOULD BASE THEIR UTTERANCES OF RUMOURS AND LIES. IT SEEMS THAT BOTH OF THEM WERE INVOLVED IN THE SINISTER PLAN TO

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CAUSE CHAOS IN UGANDA THAT IS WHY THEY WERE DISAPPOINTED WHEN THEIR PLAN FAILED AND ARE PRESENTLY AT THE CENTRE OF ANTI-UGANDA PROPAGANDA.

AFRICAN COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE HAD THE BITTER EXPERIENCE OF BEING INVADED LIKE SUDAN, GUINEA, ANGOLA AND BENIN UNDERSTAND OUR PRESENT SITUATION. THIS YEAR IN UGANDA LIKE IN EARLY 1972, WHEN EXILES STARTED KIDNAPPING PEOPLE, CAUSING CONFUSION AND THEN INVADED UGANDA IN SEPTEMBER 1972 AGAIN THIS TIME, THEY HAD A BIGGER PLAN TO DO EVEN WORSE THINGS TO MURDER PEOPLE AND INVAD THE COUNTRY. IT IS A PITY THAT INSTEAD OF SHOWING SYMPATHY, SOME AFRICAN COUNTRIES ARE QUOTING IMPERIALIST NEWS MEDIA AND PROPAGANDA. IT IS HIGH TIME FOR THE ORGANISATION OF AFRICAN UNITY TO BAN FROM OUR ORGANISATION COUNTRIES WHICH HARBOUR EXILES AND SUPPORT SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES AGAINST OTHER MEMBER STATES.

AT PRESENT THE 12TH A.C.P. COUNCIL OF MINISTERS IS TAKING PLACE IN KAMPALA AND THE DELEGATES WILL JUDGE THE SITUATION FOR THEMSELVES. AS YOU ARE AWARE, UGANDA IS THE HOME OF ALL AFRICANS

AND ANY GOVERNMENT IS WELCOME TO SEND A DELEGATION TO UGANDA TO
SEE FOR THEMSELVES WHAT HAS TAKEN PLACE.

HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

AL-JAJJI FIELD MARSHAL DR. IDI AMIN DADA,
VC DSO MC.,
LIFE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

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